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### **Goat Hunt Season Closes at Valdez**

**Cordova** – Registration permit hunt RG248 for mountain goats in Game Management Unit 6(D) will close at one minute before midnight on October 4, 2005 by emergency order of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game. Hunt area RG248 includes that portion of Unit 6(D) east of Shoup Glacier to the Sheep River drainage.

Cordova area wildlife biologist Dave Crowley said that the population of approximately 80 goats could sustain a harvest at 6 goats. The current harvest is 5 billies with more harvest expected. Additional take beyond the harvest objective could harm the long-term stability of the population.

The closure affects only registration permit hunt RG248 in Unit 6(D). All other mountain goat hunting regulations in the remainder of Game Management Unit 6 are unaffected by this closure.